

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 2723.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1890.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$8,168,062.50
RESERVE FUND 5,452,127.00
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For 1 month, 3 per cent per annum.
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 11th September, 1890.

RULES
OF THE
HONGKONG SAVINGS
BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 12 SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, OR MORE THAN \$200 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having 100, or more, at their credit may at their option draw the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 2 per cent per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 31/2 per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 13th May, 1890.

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Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent per annum.
6 " 4 "
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E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$5,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000.
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Chairman.

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Full particulars can be obtained at the Company's Offices, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Vicar Buildings,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1890.

Intimations.

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There is nothing to learn, the mechanism is of the simplest kind, and it is almost impossible to get out of order. COMPLETE for \$20. It may be seen at work at our store.

Received per English Mail, Christmas Numbers of the "Graphic," "Illustrated London News," "Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News," "Yule Tide," "Ladies' Pictorial," "Pictorial World," "Armstrong's Magazine," Art Annual, &c., &c. The Pictures are not spoiled by crushing.

BOOKS OF THE DAY.

Froude's "In Darkest England,"

Caline's Picturesque India,

Marion Crawford's "A Cigarette Maker's Story."

A few copies of each of the above are to hand by the mail, and large supplies ordered in anticipation, will be here shortly. Orders should be sent to us as early as

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1890.

Intimations.

BY APPOINTMENT.

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(Established A.D. 1841.)

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HONGKONG

DISPENSARY,

HONGKONG.

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CHEMISTS, PERFUMERS,

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By Steam Machinery.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DRY PLATES.

Apparatus, Chemicals, and Materials of all kinds suitable for Amateurs and Professionals, at Moderate Prices.

We beg to state that we import Drugs, Chemicals, and Goods of every kind of the best description only—no other quality is kept in stock.

Our long experience and intimate acquaintance with the Trade, and the best sources of supply, enable us to purchase direct from the Producers on the very best terms, and thus give our constituents the benefit of a considerable reduction in the price of all our Specialities as compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.

We wish it to be clearly understood that our prices cannot be beaten by any other firm in the Colony; and we trust it will soon become generally known that, quality for quality, our charges all round compare favourably with local rates, and in most instances with those ruling at home.

Experienced qualified English Assistants

ONLY are employed in the preparation and dispensing of Medicines.

GOODS FOR COAST PORTS.

Whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order. Most articles can now be sent by the local Parcel Post. All retail orders of the value of five dollars and upwards are sent freight or postage paid.

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HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 16th April, 1890. [1450]

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DOUBLE and SINGLE TERAI and other SOFT FELTS.

Best English-made STRAW HATS.

LADIES' FELT HELMETS and CALCUTTA PITH HATS.

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Hongkong, 28th July, 1890.

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NEW ELECTRO-PLATED SILVER WARE.

FANCY GLASS and CHINA.

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DISPENSING CHEMISTS.
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LENSSES.

RAPID RECTILINEAR LENSES by
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These are bona fide English made lenses and
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Our New Factory has been recently refitted
with automatic Steam Machinery of the
latest and most approved kind, and
we are well able to compete in
quality with the best
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in the manufacture throughout.

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FOR COAST PORTS, Winters are packed and
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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
Hongkong, China, and Manila. [5]

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The unofficial members of the Legislative
Council are doing useful service to the
community in Finance Committee by
insisting on all necessary details and
explanations being supplied before giving
their sanction to large votes for projected
Public Works. And of late they have
been making inquiries as to certain heavy
items of expenditure in the not very far
distant past, which are also calculated to
do good. Mr. T. H. Whitehead, who
has been especially prominent in this
direction, asked some very pertinent
questions at a meeting held on the 19th
instant regarding the very important
question of the new water mains and
distribution system of Victoria water-works
recommended by Mr. O. Chadwick, for
which a vote of \$70,000 was asked to
meet the estimated expenditure for 1891.

The honorable member was naturally
desirous of knowing what he was actually
voting for, and his query—Whether there
was any risk of Mr. Chadwick's plans
being departed from, now that that expert
had left the colony? was, in light of past
experiences, very much to the point. And
as it elicited a reply to the effect that the
resident engineer would not be justified in
altering or modifying the plans, and the
not generally known information that Mr.
Chadwick was "in" receipt of £300 per
annum from the colony as "consulting
engineer at home" in connection with this
work, Mr. Whitehead did not labour in
vain. But something still more important
resulted from his inquiry, something that is
calculated to profoundly astonish those who
have taken any interest in the past achievements
of the talented staff of the Public
Works department. The Surveyor General
committed himself to the astounding statement
that the increased cost over estimates of
the new Central School—Sir "Toady"
Bowen's vaunted Victoria College—was
"owing to the foundations of the building
having turned out a great deal worse than
was expected"—"provision was not made
in the estimates for such a bad foundation
as was found when the ground was opened
up." Mr. Brown, on being catechised by
Dr. Ho Kai as to how the foundations
turned out worse than expected, regretted he
"couldn't make his words any clearer,"
and practically collapsed when Mr. Chater,
speaking from an extensive experience of
such matters, politely, but none the less
plainly, indicated that he did not believe
that bad foundations could possibly have
almost doubled the estimated cost of the
building. And then the Chairman of the
Committee (Mr. W. M. Deane) stopped the
discussion.

Might we suggest to Mr. Whitehead
and his colleagues that a question in the
Legislative Council would bring out the
required information about the Central
School building scandal—or at least it
would bring out something and set the
public mind at rest! And we would like-
wise suggest that the history of the new
Police Station at Kennedy Town would
interest the rate-payers.

TELEGRAMS.

PARNELL'S TROUBLES.
London, December 17th.
The freedom of the City of Edinburgh con-
ferred upon Mr. Parnell has been cancelled.

ANGLO-PORTUGUESE DIFFICULTY.
December 18th.

The Marquis of Salisbury has summoned Mr.
C. Rhodes to London to confer with him on the
Anglo-Portuguese difficulty.

(From the *North-China Daily News*.)
THE AUDIENCE QUESTION SETTLED.
Tientsin, Dec. 14th, 5 p.m.

An Imperial Decree has been published stat-
ing that the Foreign Ministers are to be admitted
in audience every China New-Year.

A FRIENDLY DEMONSTRATION.
December 15th.

It is said that the Peiyang squadron is to
escort Lord Li, the new Chinese Minister to
Tokio, to Yokohama.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

SELFISHNESS is the devil's narrow-gauge road to
perdition.

ADMIRAL Belknap, U.S.N., is expected at
Shanghai, with his flagship, the *Omaha*, on
Monday the 22nd instant.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. D.
Sassoon, Sons & Co.) that the steamer *Taybas*,
from Calcutta, left Singapore to-day for this port.

AN emergency meeting of Zeeland Lodge, No.
123, E.C. will be held in Freemasons' Hall,
Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock
precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission
steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside
vessels hoisting code pendant C between 9 and
10.30 a.m. on Sunday to convey men ashore to
the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30.

A RUMOUR is "going the rounds" in Shanghai
to the effect that the authorities at Tokyo
Arsenal are hurrying on the manufacture of
100,000 musket rifles. About 1,800 mechanics are
already employed in connection therewith and
others are being engaged.

We are glad to hear that Messrs. George R.
Stevens & Co. have received a telegram from
the Head Office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha
to-day, reporting that the Company's steamer
Hartmann, which was ashore off the west
coast of Japan, has been floated and towed to
Yokosuka Dock.

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minus his watch, a diamond ring, and
some money, the whole amounting to about
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The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co.
informs us that the Company's steamer *Venice*
left Singapore for this port at noon yesterday.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* bears that the penalty
enjoined in the contract between the Chinese
Government and the French syndicate, for any
delay or failure to deliver over the dock and
other works at Port Arthur within the stipulated
time, and which would amount to some £1s.
75,000, has been remitted by the Chinese
Government upon the application of the Provincial
Treasurer Chou-fu.

It is reported that the Japanese Government
has negotiated a Special Convention with
Korea by which the latter will, from the 1st of
January 1891, allow the export of red ginseng,
hitherto a prohibited article, upon payment of
a duty of 20 per cent. *ad valorem*. China is
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THAT indispensable book of reference, which the
editors keep at his elbow, "Men of the time," is
in the forthcoming edition to include "Women of
the time." Of course that is quite correct; in fact,
it is a valuable innovation. There are women of
the time about whom editors do occasionally
want to learn something—a something which is
let it be gallantly admitted, always to the credit.
The only thing to be dreaded is that at the
present rate of progress it will come to be
"Women of the time," and nothing more!

THE FORMOSA CORRESPONDENT of a Shanghai
newspaper writes thus:—I am glad to state
it is now a certainty that H.E. the
Governor remains in his position here.
The Imperial Censors went to Canton from
Fuchow and did not come to Formosa at
all, and Mr. Chang Souyu, the late Manager of
the Formosa Trading Co., has got leave for a
time and will be relieved by Mr. Tsai Ying-wei,
the late Director of the Coal Mine Syndicate.
We hope that the Coal Mine Syndicate will
receive Imperial sanction yet, and that that is
the reason for keeping Mr. Tsai engaged here.

IN our issue of the 16th inst. we published a
paragraph reflecting in no measured terms on
the management of the China and Japan Tele-
phone Company. The local Agent (Mr. A.
Sandford) called upon us in consequence, and on
being supplied with the necessary information
as to the nature of our complaints, made a thorough
investigation into the matter and discovered
the following:—that his operators were
in the habit of intercepting any "chat,"
that they suspected of containing complaints
about the working of the lines. Mr. Sandford
has no doubt often been blamed for not attending
to reports of whose existence he was ignorant,
and is glad that the matter has at last
been brought to his notice.

MR. W. F. Lay, Commissioner of Customs, met
with a terrible accident at Hankow on Monday
last. He had gone over to Hanyang to inspect
a new ice-house. He went up the outside ladder,
and then took a step forward, not seeing, owing
to the darkness, that there was nothing to step on,
and was precipitated to the bottom, a fall of
twenty-five feet. His whole face was smashed
in, his left side injured and his left wrist and
right knee completely crushed. He was rescued
as soon as possible and carried home on a
stretcher. By last advice, he had no fever and
was as cheerful as a man so ill could be. We (*N.C. Daily News*) regret to hear also that
Captain Batten of the China Navigation Co.'s
steamer *Pekin* is lying so ill at Hankow that
grave doubts are entertained of his recovery.

ONE can scarcely imagine Mr. Morley and
Mr. Stead associated in journalistic enterprise,
their individual leanings in a literarist way are so
estranged. But it is the case that when Morley
edited the *Pall Mall* Stead was on the staff.
The result is amusingly told in a character
sketch of Mr. Morley which appears in the
Review of Reviews. While the chief was at
home, beasted as a chily frost on the exuberance
of his conductor's youthful enthusiasm; and when
he was away, the latter foamed and frothed and
revelled in that starling language which Mr.
Morley hated. On one occasion Mr. Stead
received the serious intelligence that his article had
turned Mr. Morley's head grey; and again,
that another article had taken his breath away.
Why physical change occurred to the advocate
of restraint and sobriety when the scrap-the-
gutter series of articles on London life appeared
in the *Pall Mall*, it is impossible to say. Any-
how, he shook the dust of journalism off his feet,
and took to politics, in which field his reputation
for restraint and sobriety of expression has yet
to be made.

H.M.S. *Firebrand* and *Linnet*, the two six-knot
gunboats sent out on the 10th instant to catch
the *Namoa* pirates, returned here last night after
a fruitless sea ch. One has been scouring the
coast to the northward, and the other to the
southward. The *Firebrand* dropped upon a
Chinese cruiser at *Pinhot* which was on the
same mission as the British men-of-war. Beyond
giving the mandarins at some of the fishing
villages photos of the Pirate chief, Detective
Sergeant McIver, who was on board the
Firebrand, was unable to do anything towards
affecting the arrest of the chief actors in the
now historical *Namoa* tragedy. It was ascer-
tained at *Pinhot* that the pirates' junk had
numbers painted on them, which proves beyond
the shadow of a doubt that the craft which took
the *Namoa* and their plunder of the *Namoa*
on the 10th instant were Hongkong-registered fishing
junks. We would suggest to the authorities that a
valuable clue may be forthcoming were a/
statement to ascertain the numbers of those that took
part in the *Namoa* piracy. Had this been
done last Thursday week the police might have
got hold of some of the relatives of the
murderers and of their accomplices, with a
sense of promptitude which would have
been commendable.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was
held this morning. There were present—
His Excellency the Officer Administering the
Government (Mr. F. Fleming); Mr. W. M. Deane
(Acting Colonial Secretary); Mr. E. J. Ackroyd
(Acting Attorney-General); Mr. H. E. Wodehouse
(Acting Colonial Treasurer); Mr. N. G. Mitchell
(Inches (Acting Registrar-General)); Messrs. C. P.
Chater, P. Ryrie, T. H. Whitehead, Ho Kai, and
J. J. Kewick (unofficial members), and Mr.
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earnestly on the wine while it was re-enforced
himself in an outside chair as comfortably as
circumstances would permit and went off to
sleep. Some hours afterwards he was sur-
prised to find himself in "Happy Valley,"
minus his watch, a diamond ring, and
some money, the whole amounting to about
\$600. The "Peelers" are on the scent, as
usual; and that's just about as far as they will
get, probably. In the meantime this should
be a warning to those confiding individuals who
put such faith in the honesty

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This was a fine race, both crews pulling in good form, but the *Defence* had the greater strength and after an exciting struggle won by about a length.

YACHT RACE; for yachts over 10 tons.

The *Ariel*, *Zephyr*, and *Naomi* were sent away at 1.55 p.m., getting off in the order named. The wind was N.E., with a force of 3 and the yachts set kits while running before it. A splendid race took place for the first mark the *Ariel* leading, with *Zephyr* second, and the *Naomi* creeping up, and getting abreast of the *Zephyr* at 2.35 m. Cow-e-chow mark boat was rounded as follows—

H. M. S.
Ariel 2 29 00
Naomi 2 29 32
Zephyr 2 30 00

Shortly after rounding the *Ariel* tacked to the southward, the wind freshening to a force of 4. By 2.38 *Naomi* had assumed the lead, and the Chung-hoa mark boat was passed in the following order:—

H. M. S.
Naomi 3 7 45
Ariel 3 8 15
Zephyr 3 11 50

Naomi and *Zephyr* made from the Hongkong shore, while *Ariel* took a course inside Stonecutters Island. The time's taken at the flagship were:—

H. M. S.
Naomi 3 44 20
Zephyr 3 52 00
Ariel 3 53 00

On the run to the Repulse Bay mark *Naomi* further increased her lead, the times being:—

H. M. S.
Naomi 3 57 10
Zephyr 4 6 30
Ariel 4 7 00

The *Naomi* allowing the other two yachts ten minutes, there was little to choose between the three at this point, and an exciting run ensued for the finish at the flagship, which was rounded as follows:—

H. M. S.
Naomi 4 11 00
Zephyr 4 21 20
Ariel 4 22 05

Naomi therefore won, having made up her time allowance with the narrow margin of 20 seconds to the good.

YACHT RACE; for yachts under 10 tons.

For this race there were only two entries the *Arrow* and the *Zythomus*, the former allowing the latter ten minutes. The start was made at 1.55 p.m., the *Arrow* getting a considerable lead at the commencement, and the Chung-hoa mark was passed as follows:—

H. M. S.
Arrow 2 31 00
Zythomus 2 41 00

The latter was not timed at the other marks, being hopelessly behind. The *Arrow* finished at 4.45 p.m. 25.

PROCLAMATION BY VICEROY CHIANG CHI-TUNG.

Knowing the richness of the soil of these Provinces, and in order to turn some of the treasures buried therein into your coffers, I issue this proclamation as Viceroy of the Liang Hu Provinces. I have the Imperial sanction for the carrying out of such enterprises as the erection of iron mining and smelting works. I have caused foundries to be built at Hungyang (or Wuchang). The buried treasures I speak of are coal, iron, and other mines, and from time immemorial are only waiting to yield their bounties to whosoever has the enterprise to develop them, in order to make any such undertaking successful, immense quantities of coal must be used to feed the furnaces, and work the engines. Having regard to the people's welfare I shall not buy any foreign coal, but shall employ our own coal, and so enrich the bounties both individually and collectively. I have sent *watayuns* to different parts of these Provinces to inspect, and also to Fuchien and Kiangsi, the sample of coal and iron taken from the various mines. Several samples of hard and soft coal have been sent to me, and tested, and many of them proved to be excellent for furnace and steamship consumption. In Hubei and Honan there are good iron mines, which mean untold wealth to those provinces if properly worked. From calculations I have made I find some 1,000 piculs of coal per item would be consumed by cotton mills, and gun and frost factories, and besides a great deal more would find its way into our steamship companies, such as the China Merchants and others. Therefore it is to your own advantage that you should at once proceed to operations on the mines that are under your feet. I will take all the coal; whether hard or soft, you can bring me, and in case I cannot use it all myself guarantee to find a market for the surplus. Whether the mines have not been properly or profitably worked, you only got at the surface coal, and you could not keep the water out of your shafts when they were sunk to any depth. To remedy this you must purchase foreign pumps that will easily get rid of the water. Such pumps can be worked by yourselves without the assistance of a foreign supervisor, for the gear and working are very simple. I assure you I will take all the coal you can bring me, and I will not demand it in payment.

The Viceroy concludes with a long list of the places where coal is to be found in Hubei.

THE CHINESE AUDIENCE QUESTION.

IMPORTANT IMPERIAL DECREE.

The *Shen Pao* of the 15th inst. contains an Imperial Decree to the following effect:—That all the Foreign Treaty Powers have been up to the present time represented by Ministers residing in Peking. That various communications have been exchanged with them year by year, and that the Treaty Powers have been drawn into closer friendship and relationship with China and with each other. That the Foreign Ministers are to Peking to look after the interests of their respective countries, and to see that the treaties made by those countries with China are carried out, and generally to hold friendly intercourse with us, for our mutual happiness and benefit, at which we are well pleased. In years gone by, during the months of January and February, we assumed control of this Empire, and her Majesty, the Empress-Dowager handed the reins of Government into my keeping, and retired herself from the cares of State. On that occasion, acting on her own wish and desire, the Empress-Dowager advised the Tsung-l Yamen to invite all the foreign Ministers to a banquet, to celebrate the Emperor's marriage, which was then approaching. We have now reigned over this Empire for two years, and have lived in harmony with all the Treaty Powers, and we decree that henceforward the Ministers of those Powers, residing at the capital, shall have audience with us. In the 12th year of the reign of the Emperor Tung Chih, the foreign Ministers had audience with that Emperor, so that now, when the present Foreign Ministers apply for audience with us, that precedent shall be followed and audience granted. The etiquette observed on that occasion being

observed. Henceforth, at the beginning of every year (Chinese reckoning) the foreign Ministers shall be admitted to Our presence. This is because We are on friendly terms with their Governments, and desire to remain so. All Ministers and Acting Ministers, who desire to have audience, shall communicate with the Tsung-l Yamen, who in turn shall memorialise the Throne, and audience shall be granted at China New Year. The day after the audience the different Ministers shall be invited to a banquet and henceforward this shall be the standing custom. Should any new Minister arrive at the capital after the audience, he must wait till next China New Year before he can approach Us. In case of extraordinary events, marriages, or such auspicious occasions, the Tsung-l Yamen shall petition the Throne, and all the Foreign Ministers shall be invited to a banquet. We are friendly with all the Foreign Powers, and therefore have We commanded this, to show those Powers our appreciation of their friendship and to reciprocate it. The mode of addressing Us, and the etiquette to be observed by the different Ministers at the audience, shall be communicated to the Tsung-l Yamen, who in turn shall memorialise the Throne on the subject.

HOJHOW NOTES.

(From a Correspondent.)

December 18th.

The first steamer, the steamship *Doris*, to Dell, left here on the 12th with emigrants. The British steamship *Ralphla* called in on the 10th and left for Pakhoi on the following morning.

Twenty-three pirates, captured recently by the gunboat *Chitao*, were executed here on the 15th. There has been serious trouble at a village about 10 miles distant. The Triad Society people are said to have been at the root of it. An official was despatched hence to the scene with full powers. After a short time he sent back to his superior two jars of ears and a basket of queues as evidence of his practical zeal.

A banner—a gorgeous concern in red silk and gold with appropriate inscription—has been presented by the London Board of Trade through the *Tai-tai* of a village on the south coast of the island in recognition of services rendered by the natives to the British steamer *Lorne* which was wrecked there about three years ago. A gold watch was also given, given to the official in charge at the time, but unfortunately he has been since degraded and his whereabouts is at present difficult to ascertain.

Our Acting Consul, Mr. Octavius Johnson, has been transferred to Canton and Mr. E. H. Parker, from Foochow, will succeed him. During a residence of upwards of four years Mr. Johnson was highly popular both in his official and private capacities. His loss will be greatly felt.

On the 15th the community assembled at the Consulate in response to an announcement that a concert, the first ever given at this port, would take place. Tickets had been written and sent out to Chinese and European residents and seventy-eight were sold. At half-past four the entertainment commenced. The overture, "Zampa," some songs, and piano-forte solos, comprised the first part given by Messrs. Johnson and Leach. The second part was composed in much the same way, but was varied by an excellent recitation from Mr. Neumann, and a vocal duet by Messrs. Norton and Johnson, etc., etc. Our musical resources are not very extensive. But I think I may fairly say that quality quite made up for quantity. Each piece was artistically rendered and the whole entertainment a pronounced success. There were 54 people present who apparently appreciated to the full extent a treat seldom enjoyed in this part of the world. The proceeds are for a charitable purpose.

A BLOODY CAREER.

On Monday a despatch was received from the City of Mexico stating that the night before Edward Boulingny of New Orleans fatally shot his bookkeeper by accident. The police were trying to arrest him and in so doing opened fire on the American. The latter returned the fire, but unfortunately hit his employee. The trouble was the outgrowth of the payment of wages in Boulingny's printing office, which is a branch of Boulingny & Bros. of Philadelphia. The general opinion in Mexico is that Boulingny is in the right in the shooting affair, but nevertheless he was arrested.

That fellow is a perfect fire-eater. In fact, this is, I believe, the thirteenth man he has killed, and I don't know how many he has hurt with his pistol!" remarked Charlie Reynolds, a clerk in the office of the Chief of Police, yesterday to an *Alta* reporter, when he read the despatch.

"You see, I lived in Mexico several years ago, and we became very warm friends and I learned something of his life." Mr. Reynold gave the following reminiscences of the young Southerner, who has actually shot his way through life. He is now only thirty-eight years old, and was born in New Orleans and is of French and American parentage. He first came into prominence during the reconstruction period after the late civil war. At that time one of his friends was placed in jail by the F.D.R. authorities. He and several young friends resolved to storm the jail and liberate their friend. The result was disastrous, for several were killed and wounded by a raking fire from a gatling gun that was in the jail opened on the besiegers. Boulingny was among the wounded, having been hit by a bullet in the leg. He participated in several such affairs and made many political enemies.

On one occasion one of a rival faction vowed to kill him. Boulingny and his wife were in the New Orleans Opera House when this man put in an appearance. Boulingny was warned by a friend. "Well, I will be out when the opera is over," coolly remarked Boulingny. "I shall go out with you or wait until it is over?" asked his wife. "Come along." If the shooting becomes general drop to the floor," was his reply. After the opera he walked out with his wife on his arm. Over his left arm was his overcoat, in the folds of which he held his big revolver.

"Are you Ed Boulingny?" asked the blood-thirsty man, approaching the couple with his hand on his hip pocket.

"That's my name"—Bang! The reply and the pistol-shot came from Boulingny, and the man rolled over in the foyer, mortally wounded. He died an hour later. One of the dead man's friends sent Boulingny a challenge to fight a duel. It was accepted, and the man beat the dust the next afternoon with a bullet in his neck. Boulingny's second was also challenged on account of the same trouble, and half an hour later the challenger was killed.

Boulingny is a man of remarkable coolness. He is very near-sighted and from early youth has worn powerful magnifying glasses.

Some years ago he assisted the police of New Orleans in unearthing the Italian La Mafia Society. So vigorously did he pursue them that the Italians resolved to kill him. However, they did not dare to openly attack him. One night as he was emerging from a saloon one of the fellows slapped him in the face, knocking his glasses off, rendering him blind. Quick as thought he drew his pistol and shot his assailant, whom he could hear-breathing near him. All this time six or eight Italians across the street were sending a perfect fusillade of bullets at him.

It was a perilous place to be in, but he did not

lose his presence of mind. Coolly placing his pistol in his pocket he got down on his hands and knees and groped over the sidewalk until he found his spectacles. He put them on and opened fire on his assailants. The fight lasted fully ten minutes, and he loaded his pistol several times with cartridges as he followed the retreating crowd of Italians. He was wounded twice, but succeeded in killing three and wounding five of his assailants.

One time while in El Paso, Texas, one of Boulingny's friends became sick, and he hired a big negro to nurse him. The negro stole \$200 from the sick man and fled. A day or two later Boulingny saw the fellow on the street and reproached him for his perfidy. The negro became angry and tried to brain Boulingny with a cobblestone. Boulingny sent a bullet crashing through the negro's thick pate and thus saved his own.

Further illustrating his coolness, the following story is told: One day a desperado "got the drop" on Boulingny and stood with a huge pistol levelled at his breast. Boulingny smiled and said: "Why, sir, you could whip me if you could whip up the street with me." He illustrated with his arms how the man could do the sweep net. Quick as a flash Boulingny's hand swept under his coat and in a flash his pistol was out and a loud report followed. The desperado fell paralyzed with a bullet through his lungs. He rallied, but a second shot killed him.

There are but a few of the many affairs that the man has participated in. In the last twenty years Boulingny has fought no less than eight duels, in which he killed four men. The others he wounded. As a pistol shot he is quick, cool and unerring in his aim, there being few who are his equal, and none his superior, on the continent. He is sadly handicapped by his poor eyesight. Some six years ago he moved to the City of Mexico, where he has had several shooting affairs, but he has come off victorious every time. Boulingny is a man of medium height, of dark complexion, and has dark, piercing eyes. In manner he is unobtrusive, and no one on meeting him would ever suspect that he is held in awe and terror by the wildest and most reckless men of the American frontier and Mexican capital.—*Alta California*.

Food for Consumers.—Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda is a most wonderful food for the Consumptive. It not only gives strength and increases the flesh, but relieves the irritation of the throat and lungs. It is very palatable; children take it like milk, and in all wasting diseases both for adults and children it is a marvellous relief and medicine. Any Chemist can supply it.—A. S. Watson & Co. (Ltd.), agents in Hongkong and China.—(Advt.)

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HOUSES at the Peak and at Belilius Terrace. GODOWNS in Duddell Street. ROOM and SHOP in Beaconsfield Arcade, Queen's Road. Apply to BELILIUS & Co., Hongkong, 17th December, 1890. [176]

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Secretary, Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 15th December, 1890. [146]

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Consignees.

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FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's ship "PAKING" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon of the 20th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 15th December, 1890. [176]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO. ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON. OFFICE, No. 12, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong, 25th August, 1890. [166]

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FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

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REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st July, 1890. [156]

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

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WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, NO. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1890. [217]

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